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## NOTE FOR THE FILE

SUBJECT: 21 November 1978 Call from Walter Elder  
Re Former DCI McCone and Bill Miller, SSCI  
Staff Director

1. The undersigned received a call from Walt Elder, RM Staff, who was calling to ask if we could postpone our meeting concerning requests for Charter legislation information made by Mr. John McCone through Mr. Elder (see attachment).

2. Mr. Elder said he had recently received another call from Mr. McCone who asked that no material be sent to him at his present location in the Bahamas. Mr. Elder agreed that that would be inappropriate. Mr. McCone, however, would like to receive whatever can be made available when appropriate. Mr. Elder said he'd give me a call early next week to arrange a time for our meeting at the Headquarters building to discuss what--if anything--could or should be made available to Mr. McCone. Mr. Elder made it known to me that he doesn't want to get into the position of "shuttle-cocking" SSCI and Administration views on Charters to Mr. McCone.

3. In that regard, Mr. Elder said he recently spoke with Bill Miller, whom he has known for many years. Mr. Elder said that Bill Miller is very optimistic that compromises can be hammered out with the Administration within the next two weeks so that a consensus bill could be prepared by Christmas. Mr. Elder commented that Mr. Miller appears to be a lot more optimistic than those in the Administration with whom he has talked. Mr. Elder noted that he asked Mr. Miller if the bill would be reintroduced separately by individual titles. Mr. Miller's response to that was an emphatic "no" stating that issues in the individual entity titles would be handled only after the issues in Titles I and II have been put to bed.

4. Mr. Elder next asked Mr. Miller if the Committee is interested in receiving Mr. McCone's views on the legislation. Mr. Miller, responding in the affirmative, opined that it would be better for Mr. McCone to talk directly with Committee representatives instead of going through Senator Alan Cranston.

5. In closing, I informed Mr. Elder that the DCI's response to Mr. McCone had been finalized and is before the DCI for his signature.



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Attachment

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